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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF **IOURGENKO ET AL.** 

**APPLICATION NO: 10/549,977** FILED: SEPTEMBER 20, 2005

FOR: CYCLIC AMP RESPONSE ELEMENT ACTIVATOR PROTEINS AND

USES RELATED THERETO

**MS: Amendment** Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of October 29, 2007, Applicants hereby elect Group 2, claims 1-6, 8, 11-15 and 18 with traverse. For species election, Applicants select Huntington's disease as the pathological condition, and CREAP 1 as the protein, both with traverse. Applicants reserve the right to pursue non-elected subject matter in one or more divisional applications.

Applicants submit a petition for Five Months Extension of Time herewith, and believe that no additional fees are due with this filing. However, if it is deemed that additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-4409 in the name of Novartis for any fees due.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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